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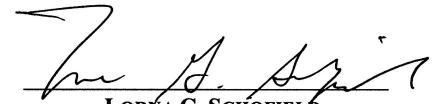
March 30, 2021

**By EMAIL**

The Honorable Lorna G. Schofield  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square  
New York, NY 10007

Application Granted in part. The Clerk of the Court is directed to unseal this matter. The change of plea hearing is hereby referred to the Magistrate Judge on duty. The parties shall promptly schedule a plea date. The status conference currently scheduled for April 1, 2021, is canceled. SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 30, 2021  
New York, New York

  
LORNA G. SCHOFIELD  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

**Re: *United States v. Haitao Mai*, 20 Mag. 1741, 20 Cr. 702 (LGS)**

Dear Judge Schofield:

The Government respectfully submits this letter regarding the conference currently scheduled for April 1, 2021, in the above-captioned case, which is currently under seal. Based on discussions with defense counsel, the Government understands that the defendant intends to enter a plea of guilty pursuant to a plea agreement previously extended by the Government.

Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that this Court (i) unseal and docket the Information in this case, and (ii) briefly adjourn the April 1 conference to a date convenient for the Court for the purpose of holding a change-of-plea proceeding. Defense counsel has advised that the defense is available April 6, April 8, April 9 (until 3:00 P.M.), and April 14 (after 2:00 P.M.).

Further, the Government respectfully requests that time be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(1)(E) and 3161(h)(7)(A), through the date of the new proceeding, in order to allow the parties to finalize the pretrial disposition of this matter. Defense counsel consents to the exclusion of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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